

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-14. (Canceled)

15. (New) A cold storage agent obtained by substantially dissolving a compound selected from the group consisting of potassium chloride and sodium chloride as a main component and ammonium chloride as a low-quantity component in water, wherein the concentration of the main component is 10-25% by weight, while the concentration of the low-quantity component is 1/3-1/10 that of the main component.

16. (New) A cold storage agent obtained by substantially dissolving ammonium chloride as a main component and a compound selected from the group consisting of potassium chloride and sodium chloride as a low-quantity component in water, wherein the concentration of the main component is 10-25% by weight, while the concentration of the low-quantity component is 1/3-1/5 that of the main component.

17. (New) A cold storage agent obtained by substantially dissolving magnesium chloride as a main component, and calcium chloride as a low-quantity component in water, wherein the concentration of the main component is 10-25% by weight, while the concentration of the low-quantity component is 1/2-1/8 that of the main component, having a melting point between -34° C and -40° C when frozen.

18. (New) A cold storage agent obtained by substantially dissolving calcium chloride as a main component and magnesium chloride as a low-quantity component in water, wherein the concentration of the main component is 10-25% by weight, while the concentration of the low-quantity component is 1/2-1/8 that of the main component, having a melting point between -44° C and -48° C when frozen.